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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING FLUORINE-CONTAINING HALIDE

DECLARATION

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Dear Sir :

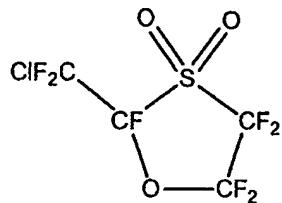
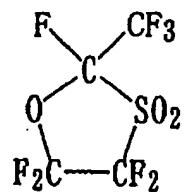
I, Akinari SUGIYAMA, hereby declare:

- 1) That I am one of the inventors of the instant invention, and
- 2) That the experiments given below were carried out under my general direction and supervision.

Experiment 1

A 100 ml four-necked flask was charged with 21.3 g (507.1 mmol) of NaF and 30.0 g of sulfolane as a solvent. The flask was subsequently equipped with a Liebig condenser to construct a system for withdrawing the product. The product was trapped by cooling with dry ice/acetone.

The above-mentioned flask was charged with 52.7 g (177.7 mmol) of $\text{CF}_2=\text{CFOCF}_2\text{CF}_2\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}$, and the contents were reacted by heating to 73°C. The distillate was analyzed using $^{19}\text{F-NMR}$. As a result, the $\text{CF}_2=\text{CFOCF}_2\text{CF}_2\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}$ conversion was 68.8%, and the $\text{CF}_2=\text{CFOCF}_2\text{CF}_2\text{SO}_2\text{F}$ yield was 51.4%. The main by-products were the cyclic compounds shown below, and no product formed by the SO_2 removal reaction was detected.



The above results confirmed that the reaction of NaF, which is an alkali metal fluoride, with $\text{CF}_2=\text{CFOCF}_2\text{CF}_2\text{SO}_2\text{Cl}$ produces little product formed by the SO_2 removal reaction, and mainly produces $\text{CF}_2=\text{CFOCF}_2\text{CF}_2\text{SO}_2\text{F}$.

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